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INTRODUCTION

A ground water survey was carried out at the Hamlet of St. Pascal de Baylon by the Ground Water Development Section to determine availability of local ground-water resources and the feasibility of developing a ground water source for municipal water supply.

The study is confined to a 2 miles (3 km) radius of the Hamlet of St. Pascal. An office study of the local water-well records, compilation of previous studies of the area and a review of geologic reports provided basic data. A field reconnaissance was conducted to confirm and observe the topographic and geologic aspects of the area. Water well samples were collected from 17 wells to determine the existing chemical and bacteriological quality of the ground water.

Well records included in this study are listed in Table 1 and are located on Figure 1. Water sample analyses are summarized in Table 2.

EXISTING SUPPLY AND FUTURE REQUIREMENTS

The existing water supply system utilizes two reservoirs each with a 3200 cu. ft. (91 cu. m) capacity to collect spring water and surface drainage. The raw water is pumped from the first reservoir through a pressure sand-filter into the second reservoir and is chlorinated before entering the distribution system. The pumping capacity of the system is about 17 igpm (77 l/m). Although actual consumption figures are not available, the system supplies water to about 70 homes including 9 farms, serving a total population of about 200 persons. Assuming a population of approximately 350 persons and a per capita consumption of 80 igpd (360 l/d) average and 240 igpd (1080 l/d) maximum, the requirements for the community will be approximately 20 igpm (90 l/m) average and 58 igpm (264 l/m), respectively.

PHYSIOGRAPHY

The Hamlet of St. Pascal de Baylon is situated on a flat low lying clay plain. To the east of St. Pascal a fine sand formation overlies the clay plain.

To the northwest, outcrops of limestone of the Ottawa formation occur. Spring flooding of this area is common because of the poor drainage afforded by the clay deposits and the low topographic relief.

BEDROCK

Limestone & Shale

The two main rock types underlying the St. Pascal area are the limestones of the Ottawa and Eastview Formation and the younger black shales of the Billings Formation. Both rock types were laid down during the Ordovician Period in a succession of shallow warm marine waters followed by a recession of the seas and consolidation of the deposits. Later considerable tectonic activity and subsequent faulting created a complex distribution of limestone and shale formations. (Drawing 2).

According to A. Wilson (1946, GSC Map 852A), St. Pascal occurs at the junction of three faults as shown in Drawing 2. The central block subsided relative to the surrounding area. With ensuing erosion the shales were worn away exposing older limestone encircling a section of younger shales. Based on well record information, the section underlying St. Pascal and the entire southern portion of the immediate study area is predominantly shale. One well record (No. 198, Table 1) reports a thickness of 180 feet of shale above limestone. Ottawa limestones have been located in outcrops occurring about one mile (2½ km) northwest of St. Pascal.

Bedrock topography (Drawing 2) is controlled mainly by the differential erosion of the resistant limestones and the friable shales and their relative placement after faulting disrupted the area. The north section of the study area is occupied by a bedrock high, exposing limestones at the surface and can be generally located at an elevation of about 100 feet above mean sea level.

Hydrogeology

Limestones generally have good permeability and hydraulic conductivity but tectonic activity in the St. Pascal area destroyed much of the primary porosity and joints are sealed with infilling of calcite and other materials. As a result, the Ottawa and Eastview limestones in the study area produce low

yield domestic wells. Similarly, the initially poorly permeable shale formations showed a further reduction of permeability and water yielding capabilities of the bedrock.

In the St. Pascal area, water bearing formations in the bedrock are encountered at depths of less than 50 feet of rock penetration. Approximately 44% of the 33 well records reviewed encountered a low yield aquifer within the first 15 feet (4½ m) associated with local fracture zones. The average adjusted theoretical yield of wells penetrating the Ottawa and Eastview limestones is 20 gpm and that of wells penetrating the shales is 12 gpm (54 l/m). The yields are not sufficient to sustain a high capacity municipal well supply. Wells having a theoretical yield greater than 50 gpm (227 l/m) are situated relative to the limestone outcrop area northwest of St. Pascal.

OVERBURDEN

Clay & Basal Gravel

St. Pascal is located on a clay plain. The clay sequence was deposited during the Pleistocene Epoch in shallow seas and has a developed thickness of up to 180 feet (55 m).

Within the clay sequence, coarse gravel lenses of limited extent have been identified. These lenses are often unsaturated because they are usually only a few feet thick and are surrounded by low permeability clays.

Basal sands and gravels, occurring intermittantly between the bedrock surface and the clay sequence are patchy lenses and are observed to have a maximum thickness of 8 feet (2m). Low yield domestic wells utilize saturated portions of this aquifer.

Hydrogeology

Of the thirty-three well records reviewed, only 8 located sufficient water within saturated basal gravels. Another thirteen wells located basal gravels which were unsaturated and penetrated to the underlying rock formation to find sufficient supply.

The average adjusted theoretical yield of wells finished in the basal gravel

is 20 gpm. This is similar to the yield from the first 15 feet (4½ m) of the limestone aquifer.

Considering the limited thickness and patchy distribution of the saturated basal gravel aquifer, the storage is severely limited. The perennial yield therefore are also expected to be severely restricted to yields less than 20 gpm, indicating that high capacity municipal wells cannot be developed utilizing this aquifer.

GROUND WATER QUALITY

A total of 17 wells within a 2-mile radius of St. Pascal were sampled for chemical and biological quality (Table 2 & 3). In the area to the northwest of St. Pascal, limestone wells having theoretical yields of greater than 50 gpm (227 l/min) showed chloride concentrations in excess of 250 ppm. The water is therefore unsuitable for human consumption according to M.O.E. drinking water objectives.

Associated with the high chloride concentrations high sodium concentrations and distinct yellow colouration further support the unsuitability of the water for municipal purposes.

Where the theoretical yield of the wells falls off, the water quality in general improves. The area due west of St. Pascal appears to have water quality suitable for domestic low capacity wells. Because the chemical water quality is controlled by the subterranean geological rock types which comprise the aquifer, the impact of large capacity wells on aquifers in the St. Pascal area may be eventual deterioration of the water quality. Iron concentrations are found to usually exceed the 0.3 ppm Fe standard set by M.O.E. Concentrations as high as 2.4 ppm Fe have been reported (Table 2).

Although minimal bacterial concentration have been revealed by the bacteriological analyses (Table 3), the water appears within permissible criteria for human consumption at the time of sampling. A single sample is inconclusive as to the overall quality of the water. As the seasons progress, the summer usually brings on increasing biological activity. It can be shortlived, but if persistent, measures

to sterilize the water should be taken.

From the assemblage of bacteria (streptococcus) present, it is evident that most water supplies are susceptible to surface contamination and may be influenced by the location and drainage of the septic systems. Recalling that St. Pascal is located on a clay plain, the septic tanks may not be constructed in material affording the best drainage and effluent renovation.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Two main aquifers in the St. Pascal area have been identified; one within the basal gravels just above the bedrock and another within the bedrock fractures less than 15 feet (4½ m) of rock penetration.

The two aquifers are likely hydraulically connected and similar yields may be obtained from each.

The basal gravels are thin, sporadic in occurrence and are composed of material that impart poor hydraulic properties to the aquifer.

Similarly the limestone and shales in the bedrock have poor porosities as the result of recrystallization and infilling of pores and fractures.

The net result is that conditions in the overburden and bedrock are suitable mainly for low yield wells. In certain locations theoretical yields of 20 to 50 gpm are indicated. These areas, however, are coincident with poor quality water, mainly high chlorides and sodium.

In light of quantity and quality considerations, it is concluded that the probability of establishing a municipal well supply source in the St. Pascal area is very remote.

Low yield domestic wells may be feasible in the area in terms of quantity and quality. However over-pumping of the aquifer by the domestic wells could result in deterioration of the water quality with time. The use of individual domestic wells is therefore a reasonable alternative for supplementing existing water supply.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Because the ground water conditions prevailing in the St. Pascal area are not adequate for municipal wells, we recommend that an alternative source of supply must be considered. Domestic wells are suggested as one possible alternative.

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Table Summary of Water Well Records

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Well No	Location and Elevation	con	lot	Owner	Driller	Well Type	Well Diameter (inches)	Depth (feet)	Static Level (feet)	Pumping Test (gpm) (hrs)	Pumping Level (feet)	Quality	Use	Remarks log etc
1076	Twp of CUMBER 200	I	14	R. GAREAU	CHARBONNEAU 68	•	2	67	10	2 6	25	FR	D S	0 cl 60 cugr 67 # 67
1062	255	II	3	M. DUQUETTE	GANTHIER 68	•	5	160	20	2 10	60	FR	D S	0 cl 140 gr 155 to 160 # 155
1375	200	II	7	U. LALONDE	CHARBONNEAU 71	•	2	245	23	2 4	45	FR	S	0 cl 75 low ph layers 245 # 245
188	245	II	2	A. GALLANT	CHARBONNEAU 64	•	2	218	60	2 8	80	FR sul (light)	D S	0 cl 157 gr 166 to 218 # 218
189	230	III	3	SS # 11	CHARBONNEAU 60	•	2	195	30	4 7	70	FR sul (slight)	P S	0 cl 10 cl 119 to 195 # 195
190	230	III	3	E. BEAUCHAMP	CHARBONNEAU 63	•	2	132	22	2 7	25	FR	D S	0 cl 125 gr 128 to 132 # 132
1194	230	III	4	R. GUINDON	CHARBONNEAU 69	•	5 1/2	175	75	3 7	140	FR	D S	0 cl 10 cl 50 feed 160 luts # 175
191	200	III	3	A. BEAUCHAMP	CASSETTE 67	•	3	143	31	3 8	45	SUL.	D S	0 cl 13 ad, ph 135 to 143 # 143
192	195	III	4	R. BEAUCHAMP	CHARBONNEAU 65	•	2	116	16	2 8	20	FR	D S	0 cl 105 gr 112 to 116 # 116
193	195	III	5	A. DUQUETTE	CHARBONNEAU 65	•	2	123	16	2 8	40	FR	D S	0 cl 66 to 123 # 123
1369	210	III	5	H. DUQUETTE	CHARBONNEAU 71	•	2	110	18	2 5	30	FR	S	0 cl 20 cl 68 gr 73 to 110 # 110
194	190	III	7	C. SAUVAGE	CHARBONNEAU 63	•	2	40	1	2 10	20	FR	D S	0 cl 30 gr, ad 36 to 40 # 40

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	con	lot		year									
195	190	III 7	J. GODIN	CHARBONNEAU 65	9	2	53	10	10	25	FR	D	0 cl 48 q 151 to 53 # 53
196	200	III 8	R. DAOUT	CHARBONNEAU 57	9	2	182	15	5	40	Sul	D	0 ad 3 cl 60 to 182 # 182
197	165	III 10	V. PARQUETTE	CHARBONNEAU 66	9	2	57	FLOW @ 1	8	20	FL	D	0 cl 50 cl 91 57 # 57
198	170	III 11	C. HALONDE	CHARBONNEAU 60	9	2	264	7	9	50	FR	COM	0 cl 50 q 158 to 240 to 264 # 264
1554	175	III 11	HILLSIDE CHEESE	DUFRESNE 71	9	6	240	23	4	240	FR	COM.	0 ad 12 cl 38 to 240, ad 41 41 to 60 to 240 # 65
199	170	III 11	R. DUQUETTE	CHARBONNEAU 69	9	6	300	-	-	24	-	AB	0 ob 60 to, data 300 # -
200	170	III 16	A. GASNE	CHARBONNEAU 65	9	2	95	4	10	30	FR	D	0 cl 55 q 173 to 95 # 95
1281	175	III 19	A. LEGAUT	CHARBONNEAU 70	9	2	110	4	10	20	FR	S	0 cl 100 to 110 # 110
201	190	IV 3	R. HUPÉ	CHARBONNEAU 63	9	5 1/2	100	FLOW	7	60	FR	D	0 cl 5 and 50 to 100 # 100
1187	190	IV 4	S. MINOR	CHARBONNEAU 69	9	2	73	FLOW	8	20	FR	D	0 cl 70 to 73 # 73
202	195	IV 5	# 24 School Caresse	CHARBONNEAU 57	9	2	65	6	7	8	FR	D	0 to 2 cl 60 to 65 # 65
1559	190	IV 7	M. DUQUETTE	GAUTHIER 73	9	5	46	1	18	10	FR	S	0 cl 30 ad 40 q 46 # 46

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	con	lat	year											
203	200	11	10	R. SAUMUR	CHARBONNEAU 62	●	2	70	18	8 ²	40	FR	D	0 cl 53 l 70 #70
208	190	11	5	J. BÉLICHAMP	CHARBONNEAU 67	●	2	25	4	5 ³	15	FR	D	0 cl 17 gr 25 #25
211	195	11	6	E. PLANTE	CHARBONNEAU 62	●	2	35	6	8 ¹	20	FR	D	0 cl 15 l gr 30 l 35 #35
1110	195	11	6	BELL CANADA	GAUTHIER 69	●	5	55	5	1 ² 1/2	45	FR	D	0 l p 22 l 55 #40, 45
212	195	11	7	C. HUPPÉ	CHARBONNEAU 64	●	2	88	Flow	8 ²	20	FR	D	0 cl 60 gr, bld r 82 l 88 #88
213	195	11	7	H. DONAT	CHARBONNEAU 62	●	2	35	6	8 ¹	20	FR	D	0 cl 15 l gr 30 l 35 #35
1483	200	11	10	P. BAUMUR	CHARBONNEAU 72	●	2	98	20	7 ²	50	FR	D	0 cl 10 ad 50 cl 77 77 cl ad gr 85 l 98 #98
1193	200	11	10	L. SAUMUR	CHARBONNEAU 64	●	2	96	25	10 ²	45	FR	D	0 cl 88 cl 96 #96
214	200	11	8	H. GORDIN	CHRISTY 50	●	6	89	15	2 ² 1/2	23	FR	D	0 cl 1 cl 84 gr 89 augr- #89
215	200	11	13	SS #13 SCHOOL	CHARBONNEAU 60	●	4	310	Flow @ 8 ³ t 2	-	-	FR	PS	0 l am 2 cl 22 ad 25 25 cl 10 l 310 #310
216	185	11	13	F. OUELLETTE	CHARBONNEAU 63	●	2	75	10	7 ²	20	FR	D	0 cl 45 augr 75 #75
217	190	11	17	J. ROY	CHARBONNEAU 57	●	2	127	7	5 ³	18	FR	D	0 ad 3 cl 60 l 127 #127

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Table Summary of Water Analyses

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Source and Number	Location	Date Sampled	pH	Colour Hazen Units	Turbidity Jackson Units	Specific Conductance mmhos at 25°C	Total Dissolved Solids (ppm)	Total Hardness as CaCO ₃ (ppm)	Alkalinity as CaCO ₃ (ppm)	Chemical Constituents in parts per million (ppm)											Remarks
										Chloride (Cl)	Sulphate (SO ₄)	Iron (Fe)	Calcium (Ca)	Magnesium (Mg)	Sodium (Na)	Potassium (K)	Free Ammonia (N)	Total Kjeldahl (N)	Nitrite (N)	Nitrate (N)	
1375	1 U. LALONDE	MAR 9/76	7.0			127	90	54	37	3	14	14	14	5	3	2.1	0.2	0.7	6.01	0.7	10-245
1194	2 R. GUIDON	MAR 9/76	8.4			3050	1890	96	1078	415	25	1.1	6	20	740	18	2.1	3.4	6.01	0.1	20-100
192	3 B. SIMONIN	MAR 9/76	7.2			1010	620	420	380	69	80	0.05	86	50	70	3.8	1.1	0.5	0.01	2.0	20-100
1559	4 M. DUQUETTE	MAR 9/76	8.4			3350	1980	112	938	579	25	0.60	6	24	760	17	1.8	2.8	6.01	1.1	20-40
1193	5 L. SAUNDURE	MAR 9/76	7.9			670	400	216	361	16	3	0.15	29	35	77	10	0.7	1.1	6.01	1.1	20-90
203	6 R. SAUNDURE	MAR 9/76	8.1			720	470	152	392	16	3	0.05	16	27	120	9.7	0.7	1.1	6.01	1.1	20-70
216	7 LACROIX (SPAIN)	MAR 9/76	7.7			110	90	52	42	2	11	0.10	14	4	2	0.8	1.1	0.3	6.01	1.1	20-75
1426	8 M. LEPAGE	MAR 9/76	9.3			640	420	3	306	25	3	0.10	11	11	160	2.7	0.5	0.8	6.01	1.1	80-123
197	9 H. MARQUETTE	MAR 9/76	8.9			1140	745	6	546	49	4	1.05	2	11	290	3.8	0.2	0.5	6.01	1.1	80-57
196	10 R. DEANIT	MAR 9/76	7.4			630	400	340	336	7	17	0.05	78	35	16	3.0	1.1	0.3	6.01	0.6	20-150
195	11 R. LABELLE	MAR 9/76	8.4			3700	2280	120	907	688	35	1.20	5	26	830	18	1.8	2.9	6.01	1.1	10-53
202	12 A. GALVEAU	MAR 9/76	8.4			2650	1700	82	976	340	50	0.20	4	18	660	18	1.9	2.9	6.01	1.1	20-65

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SUMMARY OF BACTERIOLOGICAL RESULTS

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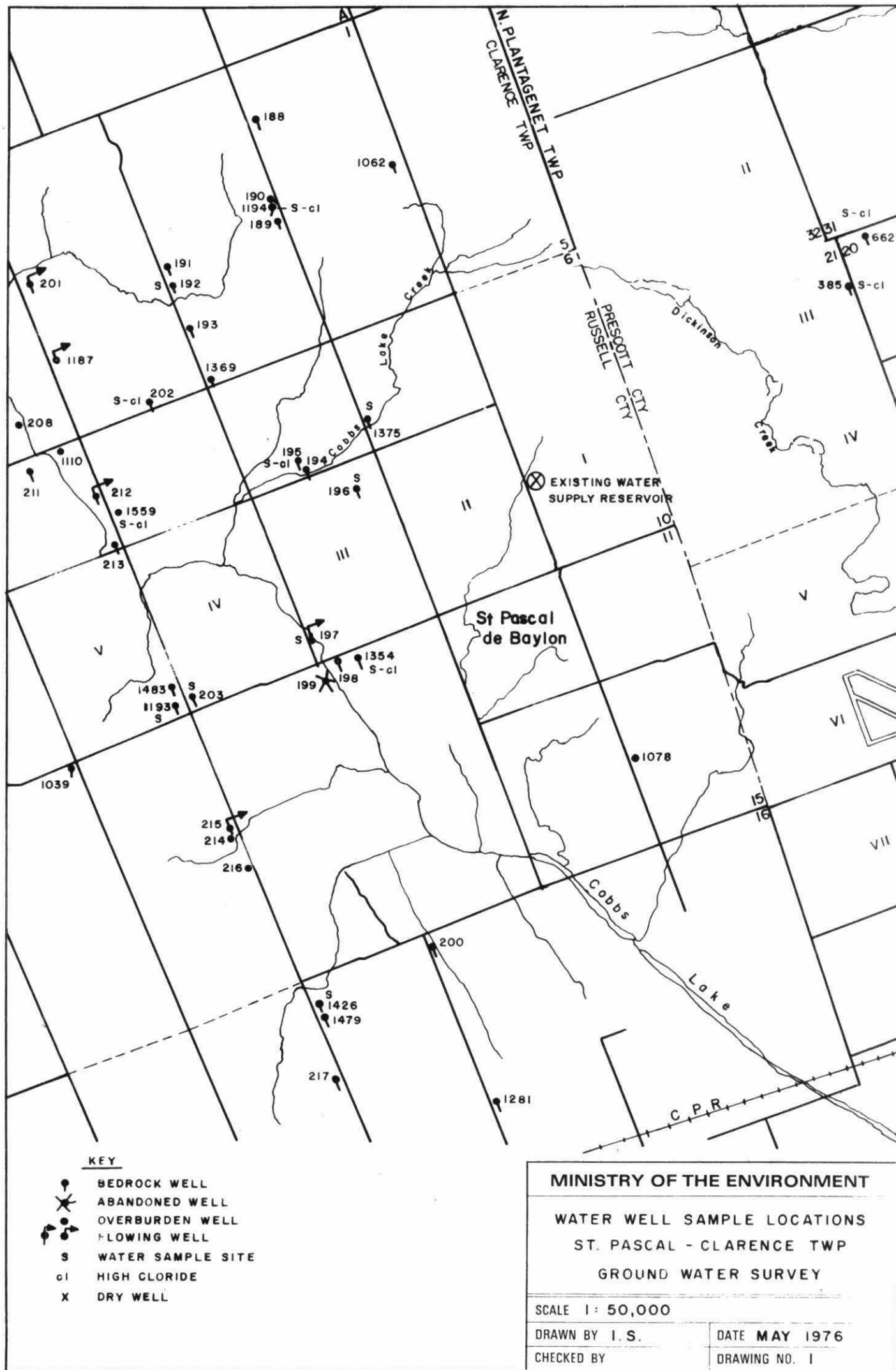
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1375 1. U. LALONDE 1194	Mar 9/76	0	12	18	2300	
2 R. GURDON 192	"	0	< 4	0	27,000	
3 B. SIMONEAU 1559	"	0	< 4	0	8	
4 M. DUQUETTE 1193	"	0	< 4	0	8	
5 L. SAMUEL 203	"	0	< 4	0	0	
6 R. SAMUEL 216	"	0	< 4	0	1320	
7 LACON (SPIN) 1426	"	0	< 4	0	8	
8 M. LEFAGE 197	"	0	< 4	0	0	
9 V. PAQUETTE 196	"	0	< 4	0	3100	
10 R. DEALIT 195	"	0	< 4	0	6	
11 R. LABELLE 202	"	0	< 4	0	6300	
12 A. GAGNEAU A	"	0	< 4	0	6000	
13 TOWN SAMPY	"	0	< 4	0	0	

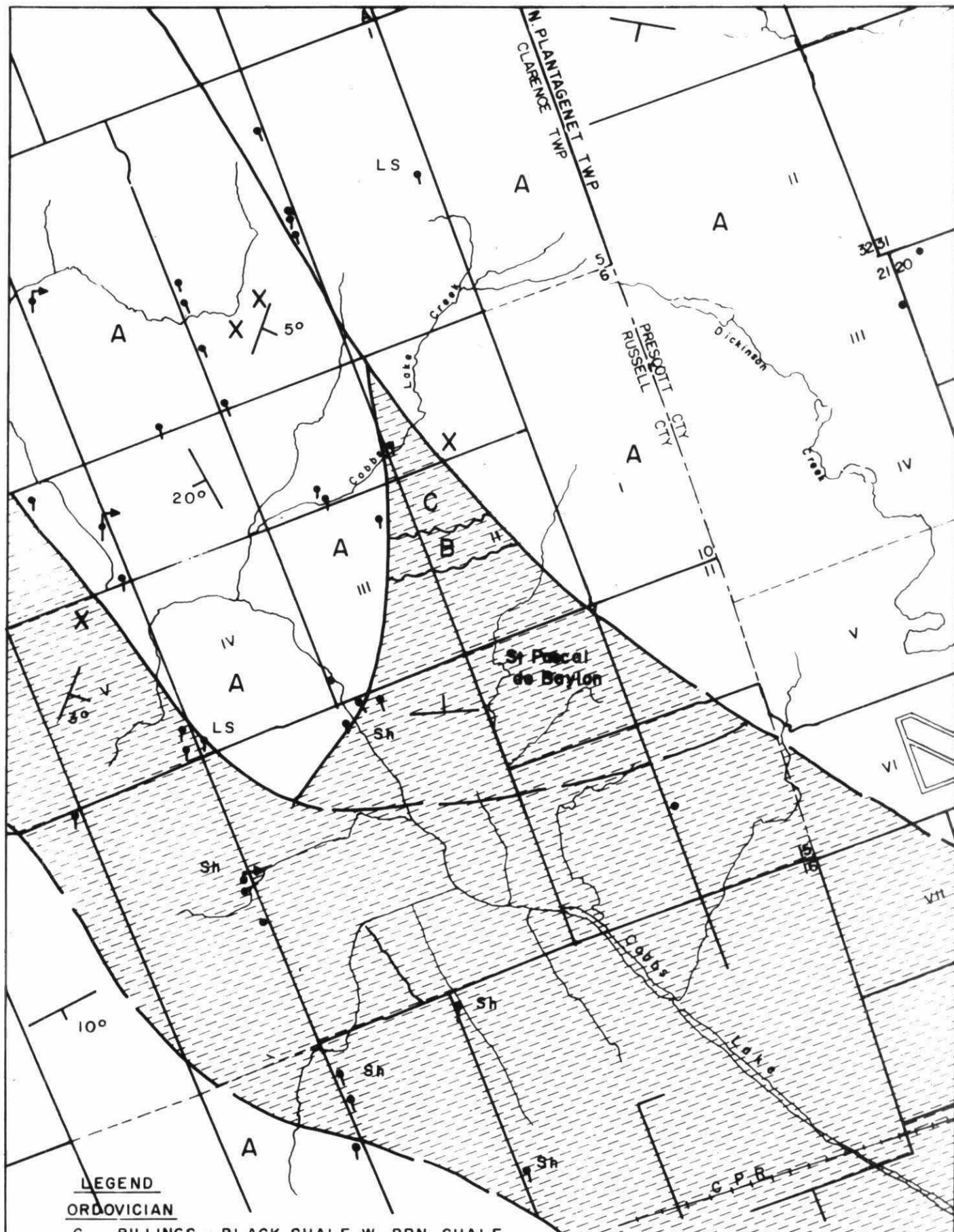
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- C BILLINGS - BLACK SHALE W. BRN SHALE
- B EASTVIEW - DARK LS W. SOME SHALE
- A OTTAWA - COBOURGBEDS - LS
- X OUTCROP
- Sh SHALE
- LS LIMESTONE

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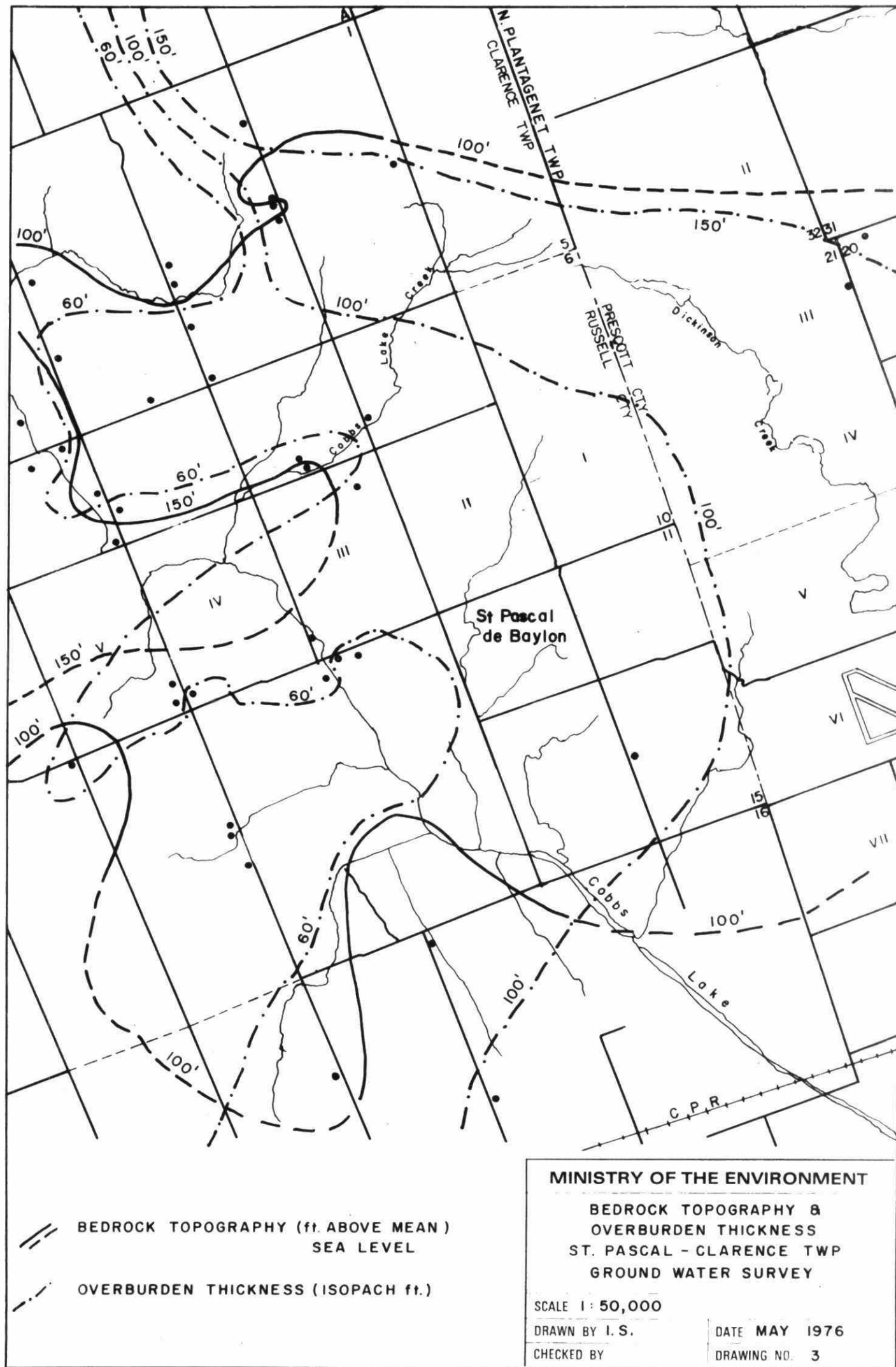
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